

## U.S. Military Service Academy Congressional Nomination Information Sheet

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

Applicants must meet the following requirements as of July 1 of the year of admission to the academy:

- Between 17 and 22 years of age
- Possess U.S. citizenship
- Unmarried, not pregnant, and with no legal obligation to support children or other dependants
- Reside in the 53<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District of California

#### **Selection Criteria**

Nominations from Congresswoman Davis are based on a "whole person" evaluation. Applicants are considered for a nomination at four levels.

- The FIRST consideration is academics. Each individual's grade point average, SAT/ACT scores, class ranking and willingness to embrace academic challenges will be considered.
- The SECOND consideration is leadership experience and potential command ability. This will be based on the resume of activities submitted in the application packet and would include involvement in sports, school, civic and personal/social activities.
- The THIRD consideration is the motivation and desire of the applicants to attend a service academy. This will be based on both the essay submitted and the interview before the Academy Nominee Selection Board.
- The FOURTH consideration is comparative in nature, appraising each applicant's attributes against all others who are applying.

#### **Applications to the Academies**

Application MUST also be made to the Director of Admissions of the Academy or Academies of your choice, in addition to the nomination application to Congresswoman Davis.

#### **Merchant Marine Academy**

For the Merchant Marine Academy, a Member of Congress may nominate as with the other academies, however, there is no dedicated position available. Each nominee selected must compete statewide for the vacancies, and the Merchant Marine Academy makes the selection.

#### U.S. Coast Guard Academies

A Congressional nomination is not required for the Coast Guard Academy, as they manage their own selection process. Any individual interested in applying must contact the Academy directly. They may apply to:

> Director of Admissions U.S. Coast Guard Academy New London, CT 06320

The local information officer is CMDR. Ronald Brown. Call him for additional information at (619) 578-3274.

#### **Final Admission to Academies**

Selected nominees will be announced in January 2008. The slate of ten nominees chosen by Susan Davis will then be forwarded to the academies indicated. The selection of the appointee to each academy is ultimately decided by the academy to which you have applied.

#### Questions?

Congresswoman Davis' district office is available at any time to answer any of your questions.

You may contact the office by telephone at (619) 280-5353.

# U.S. Military Service Academy Congressional Nomination Application Instructions and Procedure

#### **Important Dates**

Request Nomination Application
Beginning March 2007
Nomination Application Deadline
November 5, 2007
Academy Service Board Interview
November/December 2007
Nominations Announced
January 2008
Offers of Appointment from
Academies
Beginning February 2008
Class of 2012 Enters Academies
July 2008

#### **Application Materials**

- Attached "Academy Nomination Application"
- Sealed copy of high school transcripts, should have weighted GPA and class standing
- Recent, small photograph (approximately 3" x 4")
- Copy of your latest SAT/ACT scores (photocopy acceptable)
- Resume that includes extra curricular activities and any work experience
- 500 word essay (described in Application)
- Letter of Recommendation

The completed application packet MUST arrive at Congresswoman Davis's office no later than Monday, November 5, 2007. Please mail or deliver to:

Congresswoman Susan A. Davis Attn: Academy Liaison 4305 University Avenue, Suite 515 San Diego, CA 92105

#### **Academy Nominee Selection Board**

Upon receiving the properly completed packet, potential nominees will then be evaluated by Congresswoman Davis' Academy Nominee Selection Board. This board is made up of individuals with unique knowledge of the requirements of the academies. They will look closely at all aspects of those individuals who are being

considered. The "Selection Criteria" are enumerated in the "Congressional Nomination Information Sheet." The board is scheduled to consider applicants in November or December, 2007. Those who qualify for nomination will be ranked in order of merit, with the most highly qualified receiving nominations as availability at each academy allows. This slate of nominees will number ten individuals per opening available. There maybe more qualified applicants than available openings, and in such a case the first ten will be submitted, with the other applicants being placed on a stand-by list.

#### Announcement of Nominees

The announcement of nominees should occur during the month of January 2008. The nominees will then be forwarded to the academies indicated where another evaluation will be preformed by the Academy Selection Board.

You can be nominated to multiple academies, depending on how well you have competed amongst this year's pool of candidates. It is also possible to win multiple appointments.

#### **Admission to Academies**

SELECTION OF THE APPOINTEE TO EACH ACADEMY IS ULTIMATLY DECIDED UPON BY THE ACADEMY TO WHICH YOU HAVE APPLIED. Nomination by Congresswoman Davis does not automatically result in selection by the Military Service Academies.

All applicants must directly contact the academies they are interested in attending to open an admissions file. If you do not apply directly to the academies, you cannot be accepted there. Academies will begin to notify applicants of their admissions status in February, and all offers of appointment are generally sent out by May. See the "Military Service Academy Contact Information" sheet for further information.



### Military Service Academy Contact Information

**United States Military Academy** 

Director of Admissions
United States Military Academy
606 Thayer Road
West Point, NY 10996-9902
(845) 938-4041 or (800) 822-2769

Website: <a href="http://www.usma.edu">http://www.usma.edu</a>

**United States Air Force Academy** 

USAFA/RRS 2304 Cadet Drive, Suite 200 USAF Academy, Colorado 80840-5025 (800) 443-9266

Website: http://www.usafa.af.mil

**United States Coast Guard Academy** 

Director of Admissions 15 Mohegan Ave. New London, CT 06320-4195 (800) 883-USCG

Website: <a href="http://www.cga.edu">http://www.cga.edu</a>
\*It is not necessary to seek a nomination to attend the Coast Guard Academy.
U.S.C.G.A. accepts candidates based on

their own testing criteria.

**United States Naval Academy** 

Candidate Guidance Office United States Naval Academy 117 Decatur Road Annapolis, MD 21402-5018 (410) 293-4361 or (800) 638-9156

Website: http://www.usna.edu

**United States Merchant Marine Academy** 

Director of Admissions U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Kings Point, NY 11024-1699 (800) 732-6267

Website: http://www.usmma.edu



# Congresswoman Susan A. Davis 53rd Congressional District

# **ACADEMY NOMINATION APPLICATION**

Name:					
(1	last)	(first)	(middle)		
Permanent Add	dress:				
(Your legal residence must be within the 53 <sup>rd</sup> Congressional District.)					
Mailing Addres	s:				
(If different from legal residence.)					
Home Telepho	ne: ( )	Cel	Cell Phone: ( )		
Email:	Primary contact (check one): ( )Home ( )Cell ( )Email				
Date of Birth: / / Place of Birth:					
	(MM/DD/Y)				
Social Security Number:			Gender:		
Parent/Guardia	ın(s):				
High School :			Date of Graduation:		
GPA:		Class Rank:	Class Size:		
(weighte	d)				
SAT Scores:	Total:	Verbal:	Math:		
ACT Scores:	Total:	English:	Math:		
		Reading:	Science:		
Military Service (if applicable):  (Include branch of service, dates of service, rank attained)					
(include branch of service, dates of service, rank attained)					
College/University Experience (if applicable):					
(Include name of institution, dates of attendance, GPA)					

Please attach a resume including different activities you have participated in such as: athletic activities, extra-curricular activities, leadership roles, awards and honors, community involvement and employment experience.

Please attach a letter of recommendation supporting your nomination. Letters may not come from immediate or extended members of your family. Suggested individuals include: teachers, coaches, school principals and staff, employers, clergy, counselors, community leaders, etc.

Please attach an essay of 500 words entitled, "Why I wish to attend the (name of academy) Academy." Evaluations will be based upon both writing skill and content of essay.

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Rank the following service acade preference. You do not have to r		to in the order of your			
U.S. Air Force Academy U.S. Military Academy at We		U.S. Merchant Marine AcademyU.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis			
Please include the following information with this form:					
Academic TranscriptSAT/ACT Scores	Resume Recommendation Letter	Recent PhotoEssay			
Please return completed application packet to the San Diego office no later than Monday, November 5, 2007. Mail to the following address:					
CONGRESSWOMAN SUSAN A. DAVIS					
Attention: Academy Liaison					
4305	University Avenue, Suite 515 San Diego, CA 92105				
SIGNATURE:		DATE:			